Encroachment on roads in Delhi

1854. SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether MCD have decided to issue new adhoc trade licenses to commercial establishment operating from resdential colonies;

(b) if so, what are the salient features of the policy formulated by the MCD;

(c) whether Government is aware of choked foot paths, roads and service lanes encroached for operating illegal shops in various localities particularly, in Malaviya Nagar, South Delhi; and

(d) if so, what action has been taken by the MCD and Delhi Police to evacuate these encroachers from raods and other places?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. However, the modalities for its implementation have not been firmed up so far by the Corporation.

(c) and (d) Whenever instances of encroachment on public land come to notice, action to vacate such land from encroachers is taken by the Delhi Municipal Corporation with the cooperation of Delhi Police.

Compensation to civilian victims of terrorism

1855. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government gives compensation to the widows and dependents of civilians victims of terrorism in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Ex-gratia relief maximum to the extent of Rs. 1.00 lakh is given to next of kins of victims of terrorism in J&K, left wing extremism and the militancy affected NE States under the Scheme of Security Related Expenditure. This is in addition to the relief given by the respective State Governments.

(c) Does not arise.

Proposal for online state lotteries

1856. SHRI RAJKUMAR DOOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many State Governments are running lotteries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount of income tax earned by Government and profit earned by State Governments during 2002-03; and

(d) the new proposals for online State lotteries received by Government and proposed to be cleared during 2003-04?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per the information available, State Governments of Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Haryana, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland, Punjab, Sikkim and West Bengal are organizing lotteries.

(c) No information is maintained centrally in respect of Income Tax and profit earned from Lotteries by the State Governments.

(d) No proposal for on-line lotteries has been received by the Central Government.